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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

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Serial No: 09/582,830

Group Art Unit: 3721

Filed: September 21, 2000

Examiner: not assigned

For: METHOD OF PACKAGING A WEB, AND A PACKAGE PRODUCED THEREBY

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Hon. Commissioner of
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Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

In order to comply with 37 CFR 1.197 and 1.98, attached hereto is a copy of Form PTO-1449. The documents listed on the form contain information which the Examiner should consider during examination of the present application.

The above captioned application is one of a number of applications (listed in Appendix I attached hereto) assigned to BKI Holding Corporation for which the identical set of

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documents has been cited in one or more Information Disclosure Statement(s)/Form(s) PTO-1449. This series of applications is related to methods of packaging side-by-side stacks of folded web or strip material and the packages formed thereby. The above-captioned application specifically provides a method of packaging a web material using two rotating reels to fold adjacent sections of folded web materials, and joining the ends of the folded webs to form a continuous piece of web material.

Although it is routinely required to provide copies of all documents cited on the Form PTO-1449 for each application, pursuant to a telephone discussion with Examiner Linda B. Johnson on June 22, 2000 in connection with Application Serial No. 09/064,755, now U.S. Patent No. 6,176,068, it was agreed that only one complete set of the documents cited on the Form PTO-1449 submitted in applications that are part of this series of applications (which include those applications/patents listed in Appendix I) would be provided with the Information Disclosure Statement filed in U.S. Application Serial No. 09/263,889. A copy of this set would remain with Examiner Johnson as a master set.

Therefore, copies of the documents cited on the attached Form PTO-1449 are not provided for the above-captioned application, since they are provided in the master set filed in U.S. patent application Serial No. 09/263,889.

Applicant however will provide copies of the documents cited in Form PTO-1449 to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office upon request.

In accordance with MPEP Sections 609 and 707.05(b), it is requested that each document cited (including any cited in applicant's specification which is not repeated on the attached Form PTO-1449) be given thorough consideration and that it be cited of record in the prosecution history of the present application by initialing Form PTO-1449 next to the document. Such initialing is requested even if the Examiner does not consider a cited

document to be sufficiently pertinent to use in a rejection, or otherwise does not consider it to be prior art for any reason, or even if the Examiner does not believe that the guidelines for citation have been fully complied with. This is requested so that each document becomes listed on the face of the patent issuing on the present application.

The present Information Disclosure Statement is being submitted in compliance with 37 CFR 1.56, but the citation of such document is not to be construed as an admission that such document is necessarily relevant or prior art. No representation is intended that the cited documents represent the results of a complete search, and it is anticipated that the Examiner, in the normal course of examination, will make an independent search and will determine the best prior art consistent with 37 CFR 1.104(a) and 1.106(b) and, in the course of each search, will review for relevance every document cited on the attached form even if not initialed.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees to deposit Account No. 04-0100.

Early and favorable consideration is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,



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APPENDIX I

| <u>U.S. Patent/ Application Serial No.</u> | <u>Docket No.</u> | <u>Filing Date</u> |
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| 09/064,744 (now U.S. Pat. No. 6,176,068) | 1313/0G788-US0 | April 23, 1998 |
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